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INVENTION:	"GAS-FILLED SURGE ARRESTER WITH BAND-LIKE CLIPS FORMING THE ELECTRODE TERMINALS"	CONFIRMATION NO.: 4531

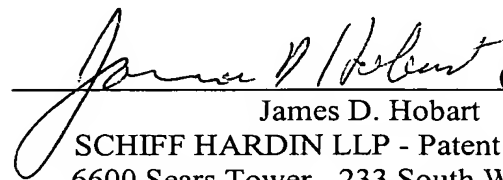
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When the request for the National Examination Procedure was filed on December 12, 2001, proposed drawing changes were submitted to make changes to Fig. 3 with regard to element numbers and to sub-divide Fig. 5 into Figs. 5 and 5A. However, when the Notice of Allowability attached to the Notice of Allowance mailed December 5, 2003 was silent concerning whether or not the proposed drawing changes were approved by the Examiner, applicants' attorneys contacted the Examiner, forwarded a copy of the papers submitted on December 12, 2001 and received a Supplemental Notice of Allowability (Paper No. 10) stating that the drawings filed on December 16, 2003 were accepted by the Examiner.

In the attached envelope are two sheets of replacement drawings, which incorporate the changes that were submitted to the Examiner on December 16, 2003, and it is requested that these two sheets of replacement drawings containing Figs. 1-5, 5A and 6-8 replace the two sheets of drawings originally filed in the application.

Respectfully submitted,


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